DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO.

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TO: ALL-COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

REAS	ON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
[]	State Law Change
	Federal Law or Regulation
	Change
[]	Court Order or Settlement
	Agreement
[]	Clarification Requested by
	One or More Counties
[x]	Initiated by SDSS

SUBJECT: IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (IHSS) PROGRAM
DOCUMENTATION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

REFERENCE: ALL-COUNTY LETTERS (ACL) NO. 90-119 and 92-21

The Workers' Compensation Reform Act of 1989, requires Counties to assist the IHSS recipient/employer in processing workers' compensation claims filed by Individual Providers (IP) who had sustained an on-the-job injury. Counties which have been asked to provide supporting documentation, may do so at their own discretion.

The State Compensation Insurance Fund (SCIF) has stated that the need to contact Counties for job related information could be significantly reduced if the Counties would attach the most recent Notice of Action (NOA), and a copy of the Provider Summary screen reflecting the most recent earnings of the IP, to the workers' compensation claim form (SOC 412). SDSS has determined that the release of the NOA and earnings information to SCIF does not constitute a breech of IHSS recipient/employer confidentiality. Therefore, Counties are encouraged to provide SCIF with such information whenever feasible in order to expedite the processing of the claim.

Any questions regarding this ACIN, or any other IHSS Workers' Compensation issue, may be addressed to Mr. Michael Lorton at (916) 657-2602.

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